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Attached is an amendment with the missing data you requested.

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION
(37 C.F.R. § 1.312)

Dear Sir:

Transmitted Applicant hereby responds to a request by the Quality Assurance Division to supply missing data.

AMENDMENTS

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 3 of this paper.

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Amendments to the Specification:

On page 2, in the FIELD OF THE INVENTION Subsection:

On line 13, Please replace the partial sentence with the following amended sentence:

The present invention relates to a device for is generally directed toward a boat, more specifically the present invention is directed toward a round boat, preferably a one person round boat.

On page 2, in the BACKGROUND Subsection:

Please delete the paragraph beginning on Page 2, line 15, which starts with "The present invention is generally"

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REMARKS

This paper addresses the request by the Quality Assurance Division to supply missing data. In its request, information contained on page 2, line 13 was missing. The missing data was information related to the field of invention. This information, however, was included in background subsection. An amendment to correct this informality has been set out above. No amendment to the claims has been made nor has any new matter been added. It is respectfully submitted this amendment satisfies the request by the Quality Assurance Division.

Respectfully submitted,



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REFERENCE TO PENDING APPLICATIONS

This application is not based upon any pending domestic or international patent applications.

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REFERENCE TO MICROFICHE APPENDIX

This application is not referenced in any microfiche appendix.

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BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

1. Field of the Invention:

The present invention relates to a device for

2. Background:

15 The present invention is generally directed toward a boat, more specifically the present invention is directed toward a round boat, preferably a one person round boat.

Circular watercrafts are known in the prior art. They include U. S. Patent 6,543,378 issued to Johnson, Sr. and U. S. Patent 4,021,873 issued to Francois. The prior art watercraft have various disadvantages. One disadvantage is that some watercrafts are unstable which require the use of
20 complicated rudder assemblies or intricate floatation structures. For example, U. S. Patent 5,331,914 issued to Salmons discloses a one person round boat that utilizes internal ballast chambers in an effort to provide stability to the watercraft.

Other watercrafts utilize inflatable pontoons to provide floatation. These watercrafts, however, introduce an aspect of unreliability due to the inherent risk of untimely deflation by the
25 pontoons.